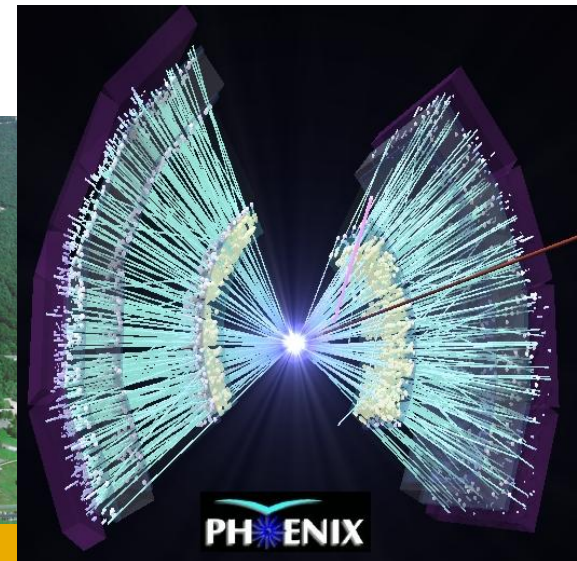


# Feasibility study for measuring Drell-Yan cross section and double-spin asymmetry at PHENIX using the FVTX Tracker

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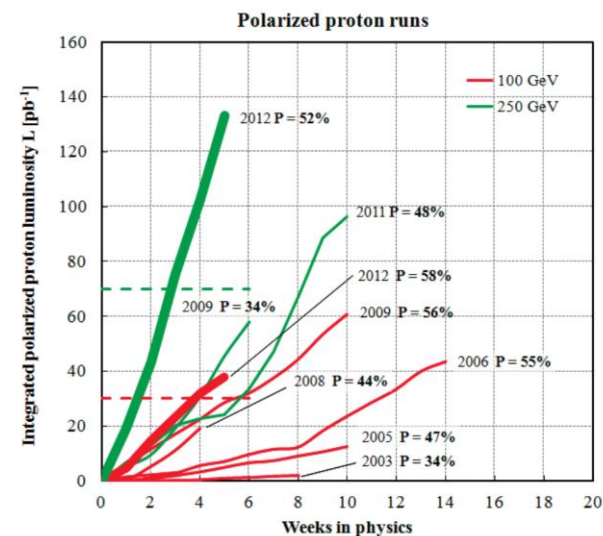
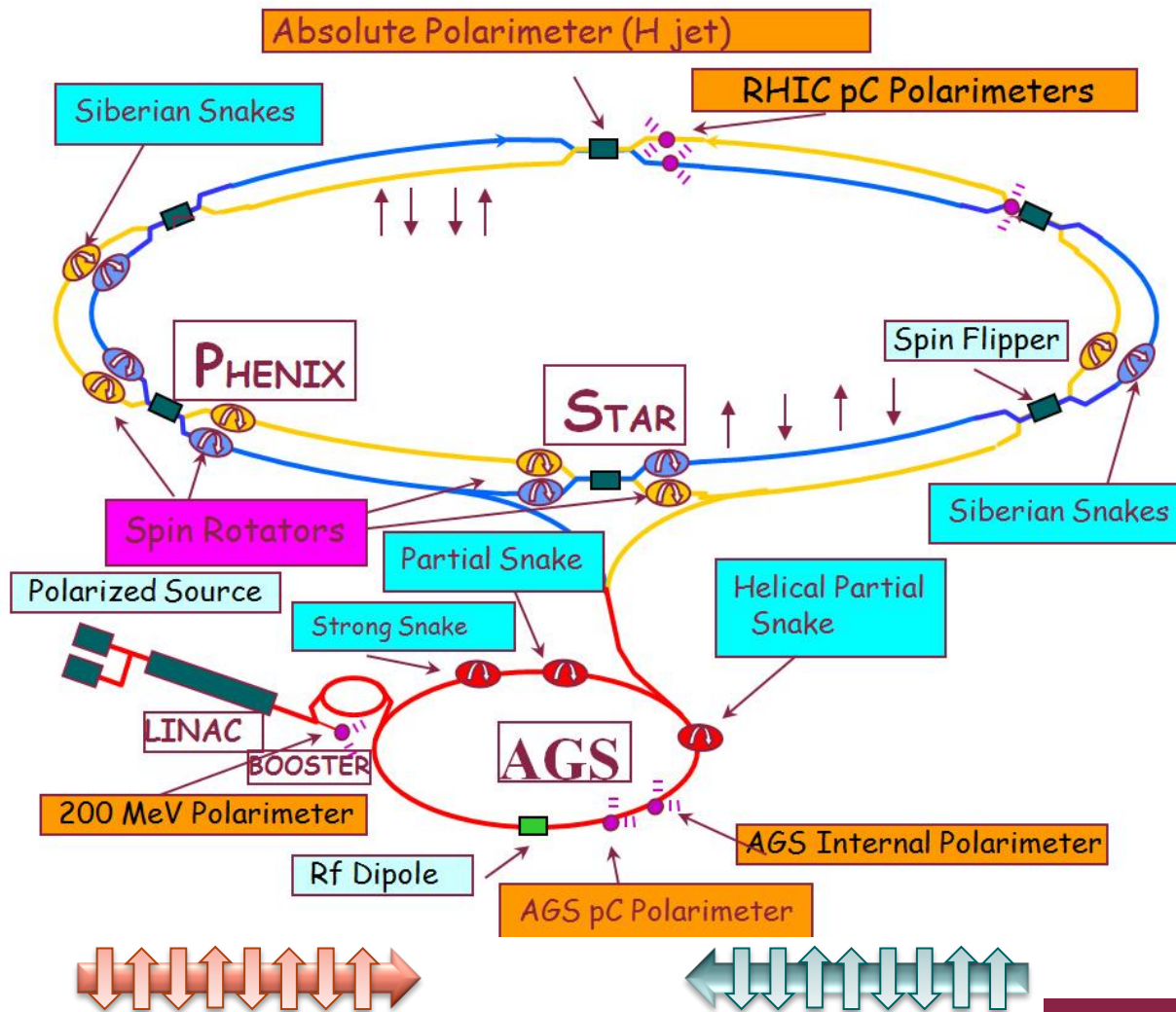
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# RHIC as a Polarized p + p Collider



## Run 12 Luminosity

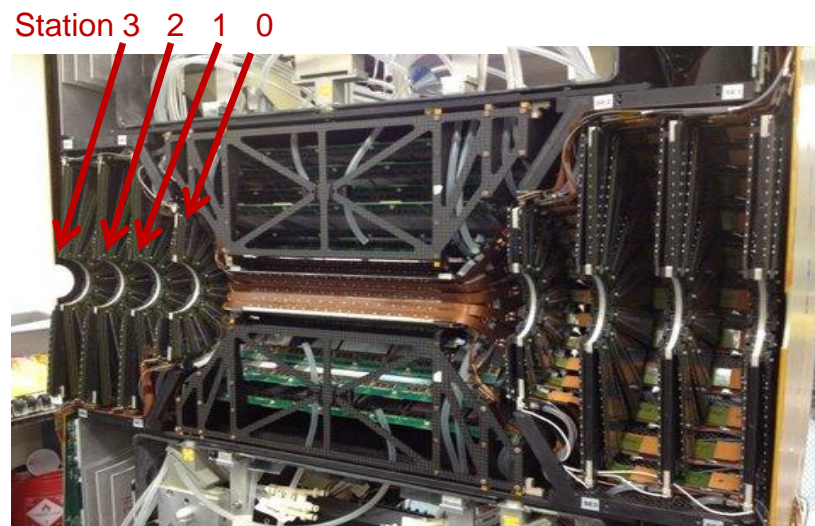
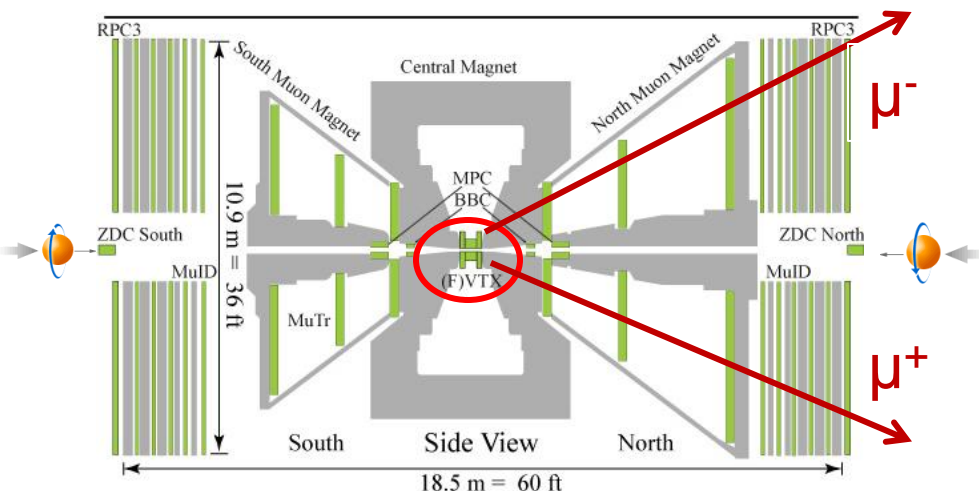
- Wide vertex :  $49.56 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- 30 cm vertex :  $30.03 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- 15 cm vertex :  $14.81 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

## Run 12 Average Proton Polarization

- 52%

## Run 13 Luminosity to date

- Wide vertex :  $52.74 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- 30 cm vertex :  $33.67 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- 15 cm vertex :  $16.92 \text{ pb}^{-1}$



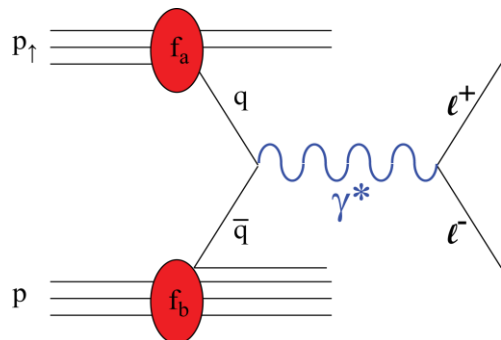
- **Hadrons, photons and electrons in central arms**
  - Drift and Pad chambers for charged particle tracking.
  - Ring Imaging Cerenkov and electromagnetic calorimeter for electron ID
  - VTX for central tracking
- **Muons and Hadrons in the forward regions**
  - Mu ID
  - Mu Trackers
  - RPC
  - FVTX

## ▪ FVTX for forward tracking

- 4 planes per end-cap
- Coverage
  - $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4$
  - $2\pi$  in  $\phi$
  - $|z| < 15$  cm
- Resolution
  - Hit  $< 25\mu\text{m}$
  - DCA<sub>R</sub>  $< 200\mu\text{m}$



- Di- muon production in polarized p-p collisions provides unique access to nucleon structures through spin asymmetry measurements

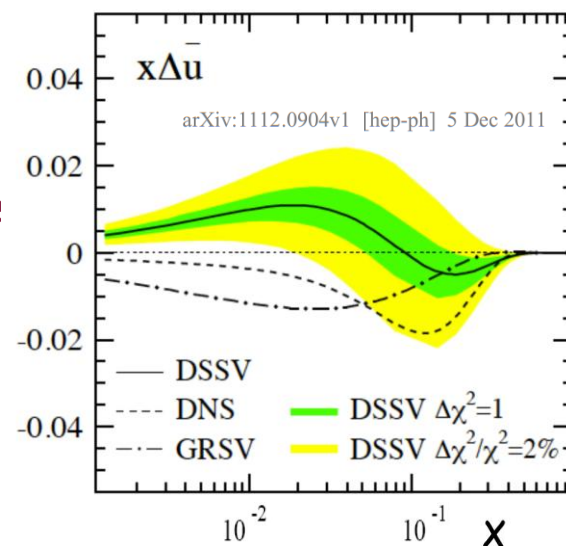


$$A_{LL}^{DY} = - \frac{\sum_q e_q^2 \{ \Delta q(x_1) \Delta \bar{q}(x_2) + \Delta \bar{q}(x_1) \Delta q(x_2) \}}{\sum_q e_q^2 \{ q(x_1) \bar{q}(x_2) + \bar{q}(x_1) q(x_2) \}}$$

$$\approx - \frac{\Delta u(x_1)}{u(x_1)} \cdot \frac{\Delta \bar{u}(x_2)}{\bar{u}(x_2)}$$

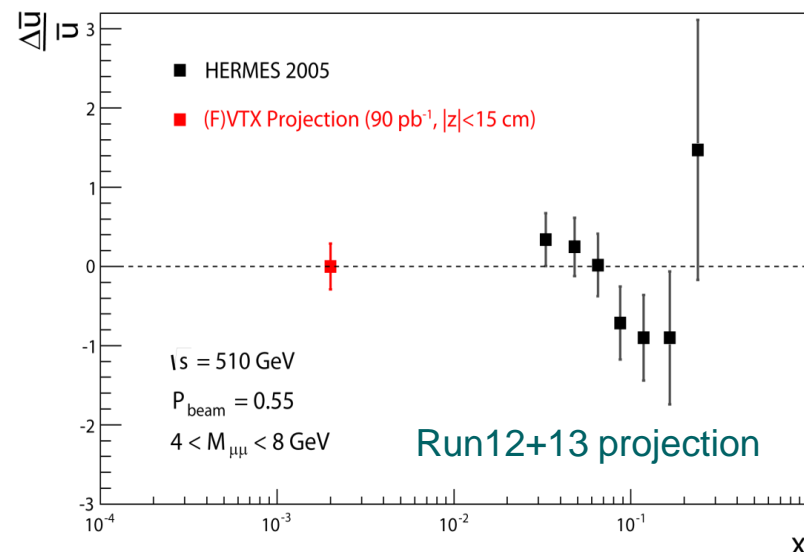
**u-quark  
dominates in p+p**

- Drell-Yan  $A_{LL}$  can cleanly access  $\Delta \bar{u} / \bar{u}$  which gives the anti-quark helicity distributions in the nucleon sea
- No fragmentation process is involved when comparing with previous DIS measurements



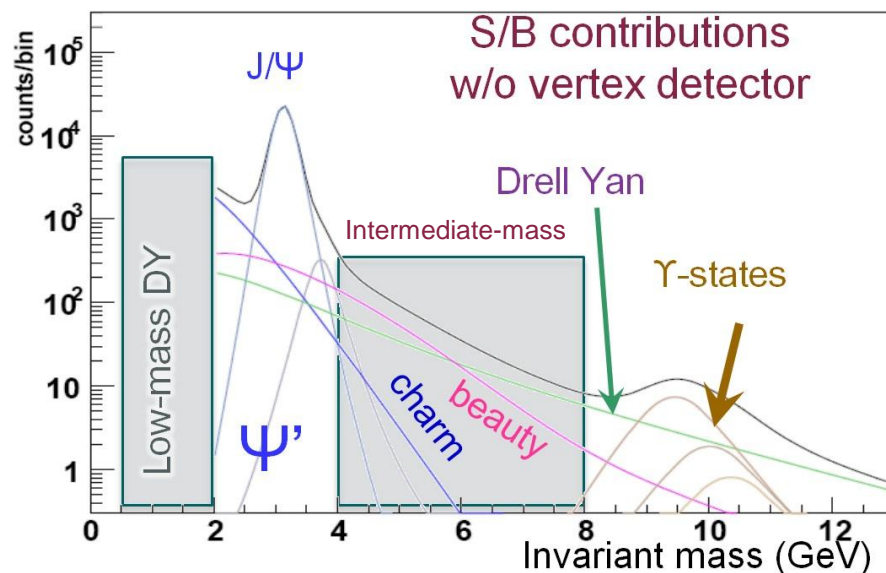


- PHENIX experiment provides powerful detection for di-muon in the forward region ( $1.2 < |\eta| < 2.4$ ) through Muon Trackers
- For di-muons detected in same arm  $x_1=0.02-0.06$ ,  $x_2 = 5 \times 10^{-4}-2 \times 10^{-3}$
- New vertex detector (FVTX) of matching  $\eta$  - acceptance with Muon Trackers provides new capability in differentiating signal to background
- Run 12 and Run 13 data will provide sufficient statistics for Drell-Yan analysis
- If anti-quarks carry no spin we expect Drell - Yan  $A_{LL}$  to be zero

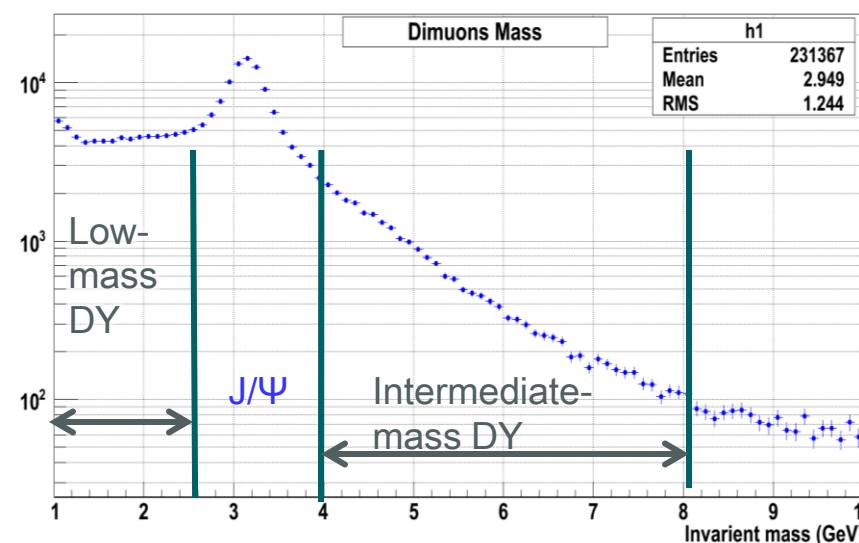


# Intermediate-mass Drell-Yan

- The Drell-Yan process between  $4 \text{ GeV} < M < 8 \text{ GeV}$  of invariant mass is called Intermediate-mass Drell-Yan process
- The PHENIX FVTX can help to reduce the dominant background from beauty decays
- Prompt muons from DY
- Displaced tracks from heavy quark decays

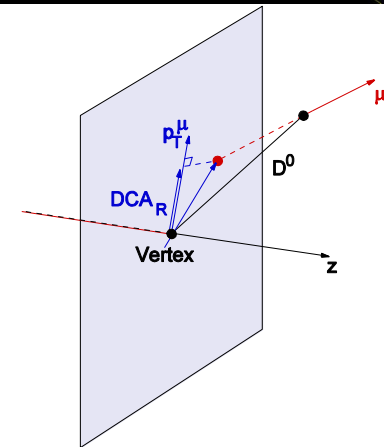


Simulation for p-p  $\sqrt{s} = 200 \text{ GeV}$  (from the study for muon arm)



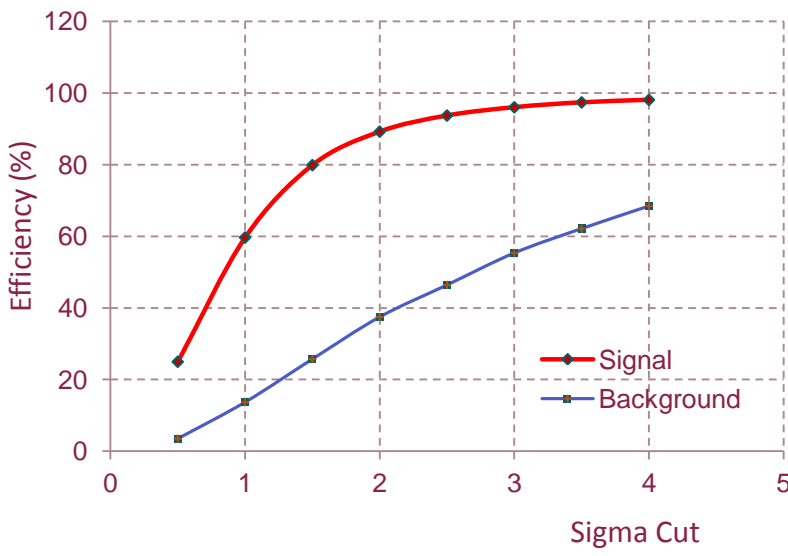
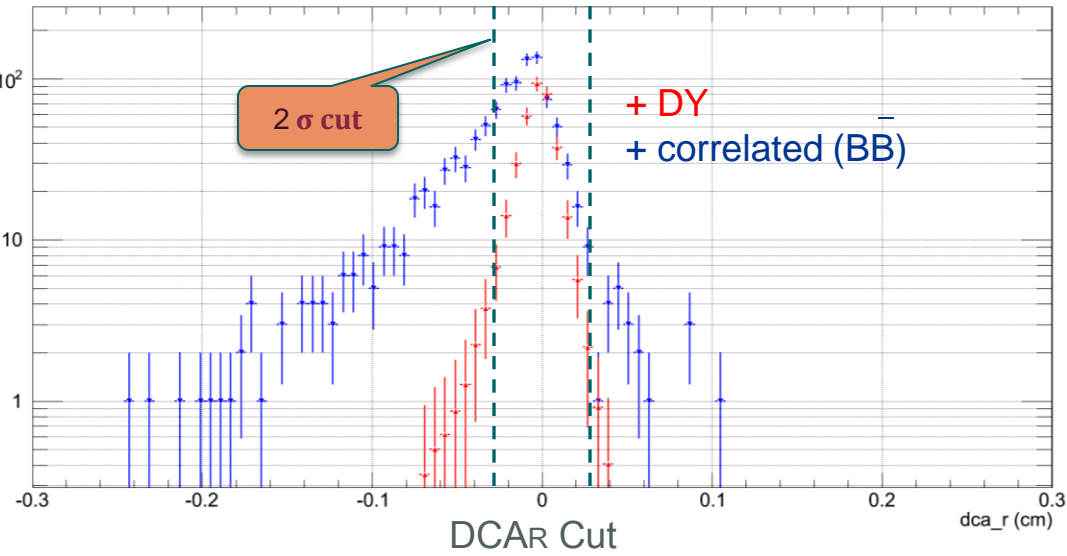
p-p  $\sqrt{s} = 510 \text{ GeV}$  Run12 data

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- | Country        | Percentage |
|----------------|------------|
| Canada         | ~45%       |
| France         | ~40%       |
| Germany        | ~35%       |
| India          | ~30%       |
| Japan          | ~25%       |
| South Korea    | ~20%       |
| Mexico         | ~15%       |
| United Kingdom | ~85%       |
| United States  | ~80%       |
| China          | ~10%       |

# Extracting DY signal with FVTX-DCA cuts

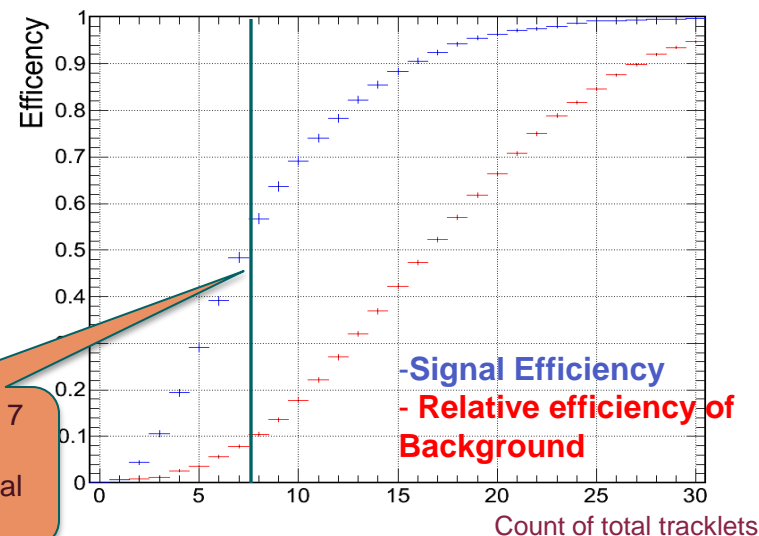
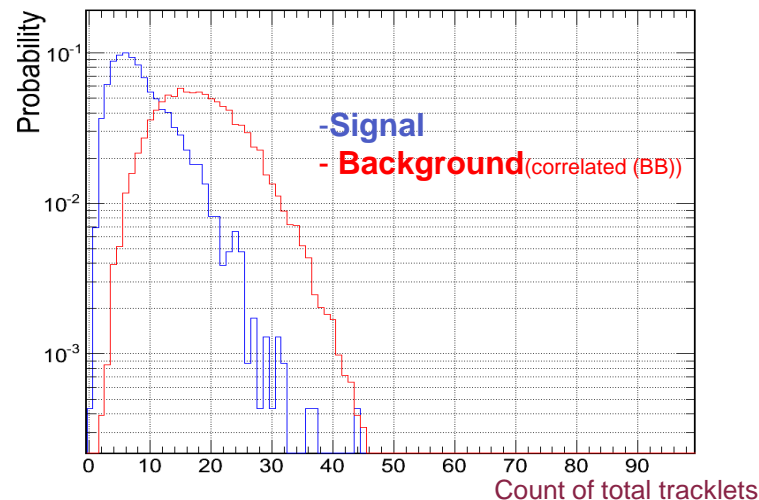
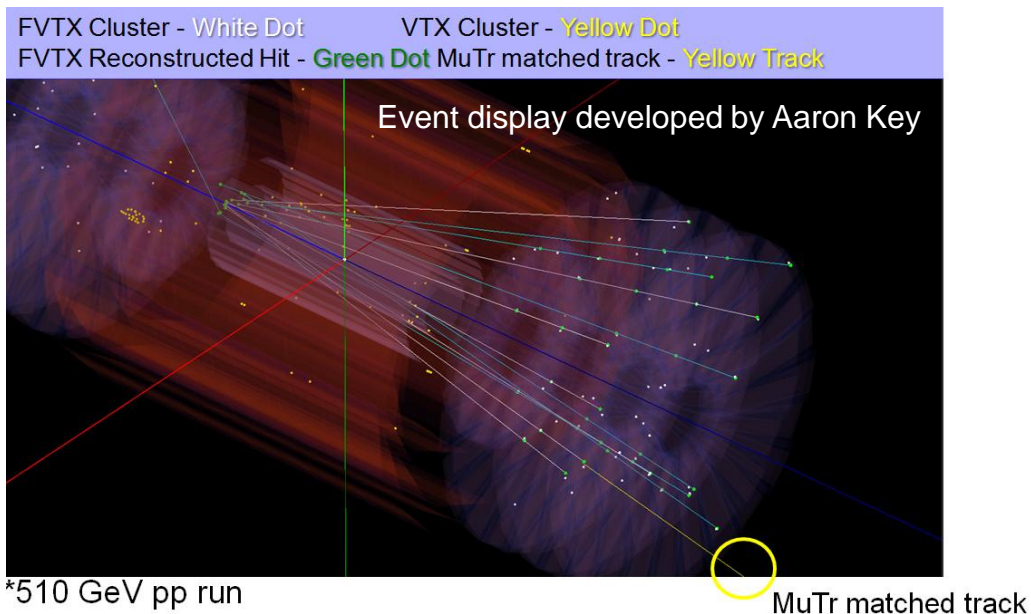


	Signal	Background
1 $\sigma$ cut	60%	13%
2 $\sigma$ cut	89%	37%
3 $\sigma$ cut	96%	55%

- DCA<sub>R</sub> cuts improve DY signal-to-background ratio. (dominated by beauty in intermediate mass region)



# Extracting DY signal with FVTX tracklet count



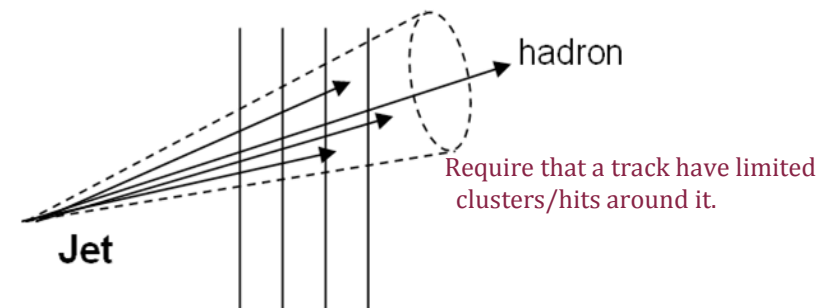
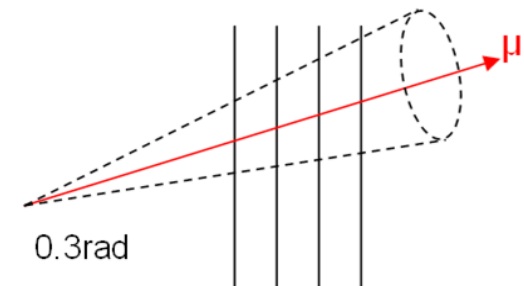
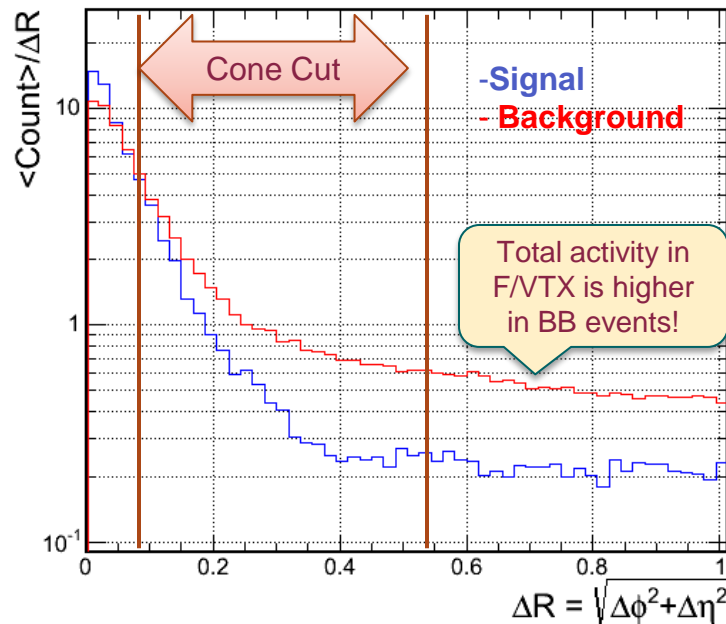
~10:1 rejection at 7 tracklets where there is 50% signal efficiency

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# Extracting DY signal with FVTX Isolation Cut

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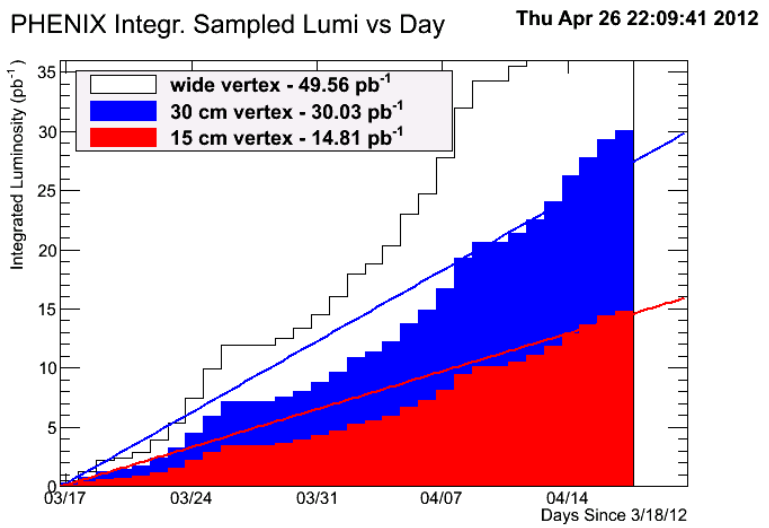
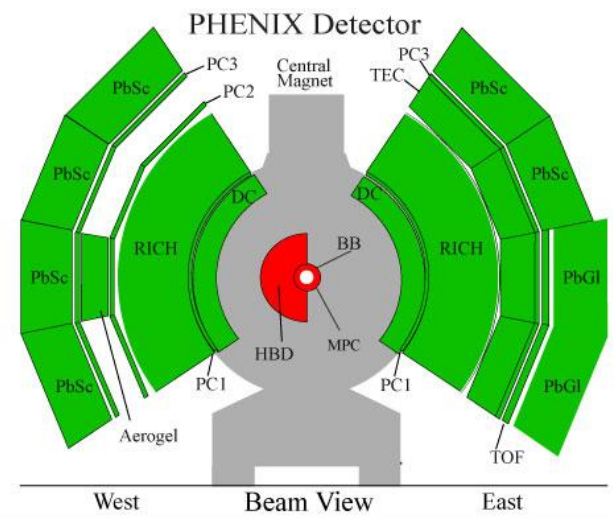
- Three ways implemented in the cone isolation study
  - Tracklet-based – best quality, but lowest stat
  - Cluster-based – highest stat., but vulnerable to background
  - Cluster-pair based – a balance of both
- $dR = \sqrt{d\eta^2 + d\phi^2}$ 
  - Bin separated in logarithmic scale 0.01 – 1 rad



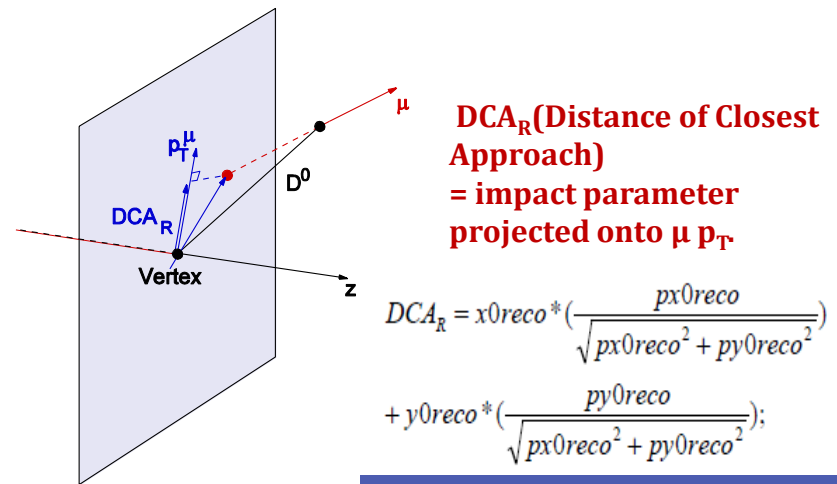
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- The main background for Drell-Yan signal is correlated BB and CC
- PHENIX muon arms have been recently upgraded and FVTX will significantly reduce backgrounds while having high efficiency on the signals
- The following methods show promising signs for isolating the Drell-Yan Signal
  - DCA Cut
  - Tracklet count
  - Isolation Cut
  - Cone Cut
- Statistical methods such as like sign subtraction will be used to remove other backgrounds like combinatorial background

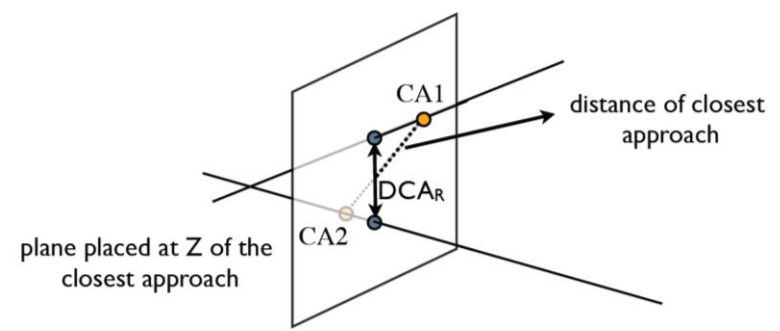
# Thank you ...!!!



DCA\_R Definition

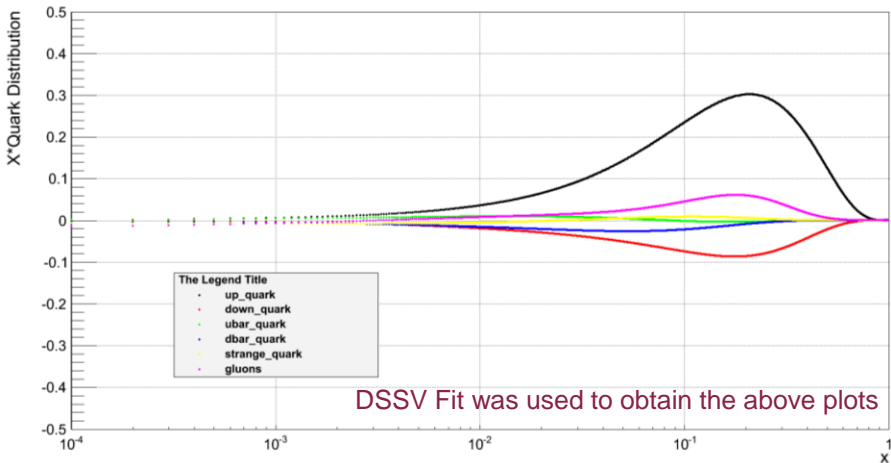


New definition for dimuon DCA\_R





## Polarized Quark Distributions



## Unpolarized Quark Distributions

